

Appendix 2

NATIONAL TYPE 1 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM / AREA COMMAND RATIONALE

When situations warrant, the NMAC requires rationale and information for commitment of a National Type 1 Incident Management Team prior to mobilization. For example, this would also apply to a California Type 1 IMT being mobilized within California. The rationale must include an identification of the immediate threat to firefighter or public safety along with a short and long term assessment of the risk to communities, which could include threats to natural resources supporting a community.

Additionally, GMACs should be prepared to give the same rationale to request a Type 2 IMT as the team may be coming from outside the geographic area.

This is a listing of some examples that would assist in composing rationale to the NMAC:

- 1) Life threatening situations (firefighter or public safety)
 - Evacuations currently taking place
 - Advisory evacuations
 - Evacuation plans in place
 - Road, highway, or freeway closures
- 2) Real Property Threatened
 - Number of structures, commercial and/or residences
 - Number of subdivisions
 - Name communities and number of populace
 - Historical significant cultural resources
 - Natural resources, such as crops, grazing, timber, watershed
 - Major power lines, energy sources
- 3) High Damage Potential
 - Long term or short term damage potential
 - Plausible impacts on community
- 4) Incident Complexity
 - Multi-jurisdictional
 - Fuel type, size and growth potential
 - Political situations
 - Severity, extreme fire behavior and fuels conditions

As warranted, written rationale will also be required with an order for an Area Command Team. The GM